

§ 143-215.10H. Swine integrator registration.

(a) Definitions. – As used in this section:

- (1) "Grower" means a person who holds a permit for an animal waste management system under this Part or Part 1 of this Article for a swine farm, or who operates a swine farm that is subject to an operations review conducted pursuant to G.S. 143-215.10D or an inspection conducted pursuant to G.S. 143-215.10F.
- (2) "Swine farm" has the same meaning as in G.S. 106-802.
- (3) "Swine operation integrator" or "integrator" means a person, other than a grower, who provides 250 or more animals to a swine farm and who either has an ownership interest in the animals or otherwise establishes management and production standards for the permit holder for the maintenance, care, and raising of the animals. An ownership interest includes a right or option to purchase the animals.

(b) Registration Required. – As part of an operations review conducted pursuant to G.S. 143-215.10D or an inspection conducted pursuant to G.S. 143-215.10F, the Department shall require a grower to register any swine operation integrator with which the grower has a contractual relationship to raise swine. The registration shall be in writing and shall include only:

- (1) The name of the owner of the swine farm.
- (2) The mailing address of the owner of the swine farm.
- (3) The physical location of the swine farm.
- (4) The swine farm facility number.
- (5) A description of the animal waste management system for the swine farm.
- (6) The name and address of the grower, if different from the owner of the swine farm.
- (7) The name and mailing address of the integrator.

(c) Notice of Termination or New Relationship. – If the swine operation integrator removes all animals from a swine farm or terminates the integrator's relationship with the swine farm, the grower shall notify the Department of the termination or removal within 30 days. If the grower terminates the grower's relationship with the integrator or enters into a relationship with a different integrator, the grower shall notify the Department of the termination or new relationship within 30 days.

(d) Disclosure of Violations. – The Department shall notify a swine operation integrator of all notices of deficiencies and violations of laws and rules governing the animal waste management system at any swine farm for which the integrator has been registered with the Department. A notice of deficiency or violation of any law or rule governing an animal waste management system is a public record within the meaning of G.S. 132-1 and is subject to disclosure as provided in Chapter 132 of the General Statutes. (1998-188, s. 1.)